

Welcome to Kim Walsh, DPAC Operations Manager

Kim joins us from the Alzheimer's Association - Michigan Great Lakes Chapter where she served as the Vice President for Programs and Operations. Her responsibilities included program development, implementation and evaluation as well as management of the program team (including staff from four regional offices). She served as the chapter's liaison for state and national initiatives and integrated the Michigan Dementia State Plan goals into the chapter's strategic plan. Kim also worked directly with the Board of Directors and their committees; she was the staff lead for the Public Policy Committee and coordinated the chapter's advocacy efforts.

Kim was very active in the Michigan Dementia Coalition. She served on the Leadership Team, chaired the Primary Care Dementia Network's Community Resources Committee, and participated in several workgroups over the past few years. She also represented the Alzheimer's Association and the Michigan Dementia Coalition on state workgroups, such as the Long Term Care Task Force workgroups and the Office of Services to the Aging's Long Range Strategic Planning task force.

Kim received her graduate degree (MS) in Human Development and Family Sciences and a minor in Gerontology from Oregon State University. Contributing to her interest in working in this area is a long family history of this diabetes. Kim's father has Type 2 diabetes and recently received a liver transplant due to Fatty Liver Disease. Her maternal grandmother also has Type 2 diabetes and many associated complications including neuropathy and diabetic eye disease.